1 2 3 4 5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 7 UNITED BROTHERHOOD OF CASE NO. 2:22-cv-00245-JHC 8 CARPENTERS AND JOINERS OF AMERICA, and PACIFIC NORTHWEST ORDER 9 REGIONAL COUNCIL OF CARPENTERS, 10 Plaintiffs, 11 v. 12 EVELYN SHAPIRO. 13 Defendant. 14

This matter comes before the Court on Defendant Evelyn Shapiro's Motion to Appoint Discovery Master Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 53. Dkt. # 31. The Court has reviewed the materials submitted in support of, and in opposition to, the motion, as well as rest of the case file. Being fully advised, the Court's view is that litigation in this case has not reached the point at which a special master should be appointed. Accordingly, the Court DENIES the motion. However, either side may again request such an appointment, if appropriate, based on further developments and the applicable law. Further, in such an event, the Court DIRECTS the parties to arrange for a telephonic hearing so that it may be explored whether the issue can be resolved without briefing.

Dated this 30th day of September, 2022.

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United States District Judge

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